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North Dakota Department of Health to Host Injury Prevention Conference

BISMARCK, N.D. – Registration has opened for the "Preventing and Responding to Injuries" Conference, the North Dakota Department of Health's Division of Injury Prevention and Control has announced. The conference will take place Oct. 1-2, 2014, at the Radisson Hotel in Bismarck. The conference provides information and training for those working in law enforcement, mental health, youth services, emergency medical services, traffic safety, and public health, as well as domestic and sexual violence advocates. However, the conference is open to anyone interested in reducing and preventing injury to citizens in North Dakota. The purpose of the conference is to promote awareness, prevention and intervention of unintentional and intentional injuries. Registration is now open at http://www.ndhealth.gov/injury/Trainings.htm.

Keynote speakers and topics include:

- Carol Redding, "The ACE Study" Redding will provide an overview from the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study, the largest study of its kind revealing the long-term risks associated with maltreatment during childhood.
- Rebecca Quinn, University of North Dakota Center for Rural Health "Concussions: More Than a Bump on the Head." Quinn will present information about new guidelines for concussions and concussion management.
- Sgt. Travis Jacobson, Grand Forks Police Department "Drugs and Society." Jacobson will explain which popular drugs are being used in our area, and the signs and symptoms to look for in those using the drugs.
- Erica Davidson, CAWS North Dakota and Rob Fontenot, Bureau of Criminal Investigation "Addressing Human Trafficking in North Dakota." The presenters will examine the pervasive problem of human trafficking in North Dakota.

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Additional topics include:

- Keeping Seniors Safe Are We Prepared?
- Question, Persuade, Refer Suicide Prevention
- Vehicle Hands-Free Technology and Distracted Pedestrian Safety
- EMS Response to Self-Harm and Suicide in North Dakota
- Parents LEAD Program
- Traffic Safety in North Dakota A County Perspective
- Death Scene Investigations
- Preventing Shaken Baby Syndrome
- The Things Curious Kids are Getting Into
- It's Everyone's Business to Prevent Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence.

To learn more about the conference or to register, visit www.ndhealth.gov/injury/trainings.htm or call Diana Read at 701.328.4537 or Missy at 701.328.4536 or 800.472.2286.

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